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Mr. Loy V. Henderson  
Deputy Under Secretary  
for Administration  
Department of State  
Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Mr. Henderson:

We are gratified to learn that the Department has made a decision to reinstitute the science attaché program. We believe that a vigorous program oriented to intelligence needs within its mission can contribute significantly to satisfying the intelligence agencies' needs in the scientific field. We shall be pleased to work with you and assist in establishment of procedures for handling the intelligence aspects of the program. To this end I am appointing Mr. Robert Avery, Jr., my Deputy Director for Intelligence, to meet with your designate, Mr. Carpenter.

The closure of the Science Attaché Program last spring has left a serious gap in the intelligence community's collection activity. I am therefore pleased that your proposal looks forward to active and implementation in the immediate future.

Please be assured that this Agency will do all that it can to provide direct assistance to the Science Attaché Program both in its inception phase and on a continuing basis thereafter. As you know, I have been personally concerned that this area, which has a significant intelligence potential, soon attain a productive use.

Yours truly,

Allen E. Dulles  
Director

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